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According to UPI and Reuter, on August 10 Argentine police raided the offices of three human rights organizations and confiscated files which the organizations had prepared for the Inter-American Human Rights Commission visit to Argentina in September. It was also reported that a federal judge had issued a subpoena for the files in connection with an investigation of alleged fraud and perjury in habeas corpus petitions filed on behalf of the disappeared.

Police raided the offices of the League for the Rights of Man, the Permanent Assembly for Human Rights and the Families of the Missing and Detained. The head of the League for the Rights of Man estimated the police seized 5,000 files from his organization and approximately 3,000 files (covering the same cases) were taken from the Families of the Missing and Detained. The police also detained a secretary who worked with the Families organization.

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